**Criteria for opening Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic C.G.H.S. Dispensaries**

1888. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the norms/criteria laid down by the C.G.H.S. in opening of Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic dispensaries in Delhi and outside Delhi; and

(b) whether it is a fact that constraints of resources, availability of financial resources and manpower are always a great obstacle in giving emphasis and in opening of more C.G.H.S. Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic dispansaries every year from 1986, till date; if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) There are no norms for opening of a dispensary/unit under Ayurvedic/Homoeopathic system in CGHS.

(b) It has not possible to open new CGHS dispensaries/units as the Ministry of Finance have not been agreeing to the creation of new posts of medical and para-medical staff due to non-implementation of SIU Report of 1991. A fresh SIU Study has now been agreed to and is in progress.

**Ayurvedic treatment in Rural Areas of Gujarat**

1889. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Ayurvedic treatment is being made available by Government in rural parts of Gujarat through Government hospitals and health care centres;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) what arrangements Government propose to make the Ayurvedic treatment available to the masses in rural areas of Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Ayurvedic Treatment is being made available by the State Government through 629 Ayurvedic Dispansaries and 11 Govt. Ayurvedic Hospitals in the Rural Areas of the State.

(c) Question does not arise in view of answer to (b) above.

(d) The Govt. of Gujarat proposed to make Ayurvedic Treatment available to the masses in Rural Areas of the State by opening New Ayurvedic Dispensaries.

**UGC's programme of Assistance to the Colleges**

1890. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of colleges in the country covered under the UGC's Assistance Programme, State-wise, during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) the proposals received from various colleges under the Guwahati and Dibrugarh University of Assam for inclusion in the Ninth Five Year Plan and names of the colleges already selected; and

(c) the criteria for selecting colleges for such assistance from the UGC?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC) 3890 colleges were assisted during the Eighth Five Year Plan, the details of which are given in the attached Statement—I *(See below)*.

(b) A total of 110 proposals were received from various colleges under Guwahati and Dibrugarh Universities for providing financial assistance during the Ninth Five Year Plan. Out of which, 109 colleges have been selected for assistance. A list showing the names of these